

CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE

HB 11 - SB 313

January 16, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Office of Legislative Information Systems to develop a computer program enabling roll-call votes taken on a bill or resolution by a subcommittee or committee of the General Assembly or a roll-call vote of the Senate and the House of Representative to be posted in a timely fashion on the internet through the website maintained by the General Assembly. The posting of such votes shall be implemented beginning with the second session of the 103rd General Assembly and posted within twenty-four hours of the vote taken on the bill or resolution.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On March 6, 2003, we issued a fiscal note on this bill indicating an *increase in state expenditures of less than \$100,000 one-time and less than \$50,000 recurring in FY03-04 and thereafter*. Based on additional information, the fiscal impact is estimated to be:

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Increase State Expenditures - Less than \$50,000 Recurring


Estimate assumes:

- any additional computer programming changes can be accomplished within existing budgeted resources.
- recurring expenditures reflect a need for any part-time positions and associated expenses to enter roll-call votes into the legislative information system using a laptop computer. At least one staff person would be assigned to enter tabulated voting data to a system interface to be designed by LIS and would need to comply with the bill's requirement that such data be entered within twenty-four hours.

For informational purposes, the most efficient method to record all roll-call votes and transmit such data to the website would be to install equipment and software capable of recording and transmitting each member's vote, in each committee room, directly to the legislative information system and to the website as well as modernize the chamber voting system. The cost to install such systems and modernize existing systems would require a significant one-time investment of state dollars.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director